

Not a single ship bearing the United States flag passed through the Suez canal last year, according to the report of the consul at Cairo, although the traffic aggregated nearly \$10,000,000. Two-thirds of the vessels using the waterway were British.

The number of persons in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland who use Gaelic as their native language, though constantly decreasing, is much larger than is commonly supposed. It includes 660,000 in Ireland, 350,000 in Wales and 230,000 in Scotland.

Man is the only animal that has a real nose or chin. Horses have faces that are all nose, swine have snouts and elephants trunks; lions have smelling organs; but none of them anything that can be separated from their faces and called a nose. Man, even more true of the chin, which is particularly human.

The island on which the Eddystone lighthouse stands lies nine miles off the Cornish coast, and is supposed to be the smallest inhabited island in the world. At low water it is 30 feet in diameter; at high water the lighthouse, whose diameter at the base is 28 1/2 feet, completely covers it. It is inhabited by three persons.

On the occasion of the semi-centennial anniversary of Girard College, Philadelphia, a bronze statue of Stephen Girard will be unveiled. The statue will be one of the largest ever erected in the city. It is a full-length statue stands on a pedestal of granite nine feet high, and the figure is of the same size. Mr. J. Massey, sculptor, is the artist.

The little town of Nassau, in Sweden, has a feminine department, 150 strong, in its fire brigade. The water supply of the village consists simply of four great tubs, and it is the duty of the women "firemen" to keep these full in case of fire. They stand in two continuous lines from the tubs to the lake, about three streets away, one line passing the full buckets and the other sending them back.

A MOVEMENT is on foot in Kansas to induce the legislature to order a marble bust of Charles Robinson, the first governor of the Sunflower state, and place it in the chapel of the State university, in Lawrence. Only \$1,000 is asked for. Gov. Robinson went to Kansas in 1854, and did much in securing homes for the free-state emigrants who went from New England, and he has often been called "the father of Kansas."

MR. EDWARD WHYMPER, the noted mountain climber, has carried the alpenstock for more than 30 years, and has scaled Chimborazo and the Matterhorn, besides hundreds of lesser peaks, and although he had numerous thrilling adventures, including a fall of 600 feet, he never fractured a limb or sustained any serious injury. He did, however, tumble down a flight of stairs in England and fractured his collar bone.

PROF. MUNK, of the university of Berlin, famous for his discoveries in the physiology of the brain, says that it is a great mistake to suppose that gymnastic exercises sandwiched in between the hours rest the pupils. On the contrary, he says, they still more fatigue the brain, which ought to have absolute rest. If both studies and gymnastics are to be indulged in on the same day, he says, they should be separated by intervals of rest.

The culture of olives in California has increased so rapidly that the state has now a monopoly of the market of this country. The crop last year netted \$250,000 to the growers, but this year it is estimated the output will be \$3,000,000. The reason for the expected great increase is that a great number of orchards bear this year for the first time. It takes seven years to bring an orchard to profitable bearing. Properly tended the trees continue to produce for centuries.

The paper used in making Bank of England notes is the despair of counterfeiters. It is thicker in the upper left-hand corner, to enable it to retain a brighter impression of the vignette there, and it is also thicker in the dark shadows of the letters at the ends of the notes. Counterfeiters have not been able to cope with this difficulty, and in the best imitations of the notes the paper has always been of the same thickness throughout.

The definite announcement has been made by Postmaster General Gary that the administration, after deliberation, has decided to adhere to the four-year tenure-of-office policy for all postmasters. He stated that, except in a few where removal for cause was required on account of delinquency, incompetency or other instances of unsatisfactory conduct or administration of the office, all postmasters, fourth-class as well as those of presidential appointment, would be allowed to serve out a term of four years.

FARM Poultry says that Isaac Wilbur, of Little Compton, R. I., has the largest poultry farm in the world. He ships from 150,000 to 150,000 dozen of eggs a year. He keeps his fowls on the colony plan, housing about 40 in a house 8x10 or 8x12 feet in size, these houses being about 150 feet apart, set out in long rows over the gently sloping fields. He has 100 of these houses scattered over three or four fields. The food is loaded into a low wagon, which is driven about to each house in turn, the attendant feeding as he goes. At the afternoon feeding eggs are collected.

Proceedings of the Special Session.
The senate on the 18th the constitutional amendment for popular election of United States senators was reintroduced. A resolution was agreed to instructing the committee on foreign relations to inquire whether the islands of St. Croix, St. John and St. Thomas of the West Indian group could be purchased by the United States. In executive session the arbitration treaty was favorably reported. In the house Mr. Jenkins (Wis.) introduced a bill amending the civil service laws so as to provide that a civil service employee's term of service shall expire at the end of five years.

The senate open session lasted 50 minutes on the 19th and was given almost entirely to the introduction of bills. In executive session the arbitration treaty was reported. A bill to permit the acquisition of the homes under the homestead law on lands ceded by Indians just as on any other part of the public domain was favorably reported, and the nomination of Charles U. P. as postmaster at Chicago was confirmed. In the house the sundry civil bill (S. 147,551) and the general deficiency bill (H. R. 166,214) were passed. Mr. Dingley reported the tariff bill and it was decided to vote on the measure on the 31st inst.

The senate was not in session on the 20th. In the house the two remaining "left over" appropriation bills, the agricultural bill, carrying \$1,182,902, and the Indian, carrying \$1,670,220, were passed. Mr. Maxwell introduced a bill to encourage the erection of mills for the manufacture of sugar and sirup from beets.

DOMESTIC.
It is generally believed by cattlemen that 75 per cent. of range animals in North Dakota and Montana have succumbed to the winter. Pierre Wibaux, a big cattlemen of Wibaux, Mont., puts his loss at \$1,000,000. The steamer de St. Nazaire, which left New York on March 6, has gone down somewhere off the Carolina coast, and as far as is known only two of the people who took passage on her remain alive.

The United States weather bureau says that 800 square miles of the state of Arkansas is under water. Thousands of people are homeless and dependent on charity and many have been drowned. The Mail and Express newspaper in New York has been sold by the estate of Elliot F. Shepard to Robert C. Alexander and Robert E. A. Dorr.

Washington Hering, candidate for mayor, sent in his resignation as postmaster of Chicago to President McKinley. The Indiana wheat crop will be 30 per cent. short of the average for normal years. Cash wheat smashed all records for the last six years in St. Louis by reaching the dollar mark.

In the prize fight at Carson City, Nev., between Corbett and Fitzsimmons for the world's championship and a purse of \$15,000 the latter won in the fourteenth round. In Philadelphia Frederick Franks shot and killed his son William, aged nine years, shot and fatally wounded his daughter Amelia, five years old, and then killed himself.

Wholesale charges of legislative corruption caused Speaker Byers, of the Iowa house, to resign until an investigation could be made. Five toll gates were destroyed in Garrard county, Ky., by a mob of masked raiders. James Lane celebrated his 101st birthday at his home in Chicago.

John Hull, an employee of the Erie railway at Servia, Ind., shot his wife and then killed himself. Domestic trouble was the cause. J. E. Crosby & Co., of Danvers, Mass., boot and shoe manufacturers, failed for \$100,000.

President McKinley sent to the senate the following nominations: Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, to be minister of the United States to Mexico; William M. Osborne, of Massachusetts, consul-general at London; John K. Gowdy, of Indiana, consul-general at Paris; Joseph H. Brigham, of Ohio, to be assistant secretary of agriculture, and Perry S. Heath, of Indiana, to be first assistant postmaster-general.

Near Marion, Ark., Etta Lix and her four children were drowned in a flood. William Fees, a farmer living near Wamego, Kan., fatally shot his wife and his mother-in-law, Mrs. S. H. Johnson, and her daughter, and then killed himself. Domestic trouble was the cause. Fitzsimmons has decided to retire permanently from the ring and settle down in New York.

The floods in the Mississippi valley were growing worse and the situation in many towns was appalling. Dave Pennington, a worthless character at Odebolt, Ia., shot and killed Luther Traver, fatally wounded Mrs. Frank Stoll, seriously wounded Mrs. Hiram Johnson and then killed himself. The passing of mutilated or defaced coins and the mutilation and defacement of coins has been made a criminal offense by congress, punishable by imprisonment not to exceed five years and a fine not to exceed \$2,000.

The levee 50 miles below Caruthersville, Mo., broke and 17 persons were drowned. The gunboats Marietta and Wheeling, twin screw boats of 1,000 tons each, were launched at San Francisco. The Turkish minister has declared vacant the office of consul of the Ottoman empire at Boston, Mass., held by Joseph Iusigi, who is under arrest on charges of embezzlement.

The towns of Leeds, Lynn, James, Hinton and Merrill in Iowa were flooded, and several drownings were reported. The Michigan supreme court decided unanimously that Gov. Pingree cannot hold the office of mayor of Detroit and chief executive of the state at the same time.

John Smith, a negro preacher, was shot to death by a mob at Scottsboro, Ala. Smith was charged with outraging the wife of a white farmer. Dispatches from the Mississippi, Ohio and Missouri valleys tell a story of widespread damage and loss of life as a result of floods caused by heavy rains.

Patrick Casey, Edward Hayes and Hugh McBride were scalded to death in a railway collision in Denver, Col.

In Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana the streams have been converted into raging torrents and the loss of life is considerable and the damage to property immense.

President McKinley accepted the resignation of Silas W. Lamoreux as commissioner of the general land office.

The ninety-third anniversary of the birth of Hon. Neal Dow, of Maine, the famous temperance apostle, was celebrated in Boston by the Massachusetts prohibitionists.

The district of Milwaukee known as the Menominee valley was submerged in water to a depth of over ten feet, and a large number of people were imprisoned in their homes.

A tornado at Ulen, Miss., wrecked many houses and J. O. Hill, a farmer, was killed, and his wife fatally injured. Miss Frances Willard urges women throughout the country to boycott newspapers furnishing extended accounts of prize fights.

There were 216 business failures in the United States in the seven days ended on the 19th, against 256 the week previous and 261 in the corresponding period of 1896.

The exchanges at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended on the 19th aggregated \$957,180,625, against \$925,145,384 the previous week. The decrease compared with the corresponding week of 1896 was 2.8.

John Davis, aged 16, and James F. Woods, 15 years old, were drowned near Chattanooga, Tenn., by the upsetting of a skiff.

The tobacco factory of H. E. Roberts & Son at Maclellan, N. C., was burned down.

A cyclone swept over Lake Charles, Clayton, Hornsby, Vidalia and other towns in Louisiana, doing immense damage to property and causing the loss of several lives.

Dr. Travis, of Eagle Grove, Ia., and a farmer named Kirkberger were drowned while attempting to ford the Boone river near Webster City.

A bill introduced in the Kentucky house makes it a high crime to interrupt public speakers by throwing eggs or other missiles.

William Johnson was hanged at Hamburg, Ark., for the murder of Henry Hobson last June.

In boxing matches in Philadelphia Edward Gibbons and Christian Kiehnicker were killed by blows from their opponents.

The long overdue American ship T. F. Oakes, which left Hong-Kong on July 4 last, arrived in New York.

Treasury warrant No. 5,375, for \$277.78, was issued in favor of Grover Cleveland, in final payment of his services as president of the United States.

Bee Rainwater, a farmer near Orrick, Mo., murdered his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. William Artman; Gentry Rainwater, his daughter, and John Thurman, a stepbrother, and then blew out his own brains. Family trouble was the cause.

Two daughters of John Ellenbeck, of Holstein, Wis., aged six and eight years, were fatally burned by their dresses taking fire from a stove.

Floods were still doing great damage in Arkansas, Tennessee and other southern states and in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin.

The Kansas legislature adjourned sine die after a session of 67 days, the longest in the history of the state.

Springbok, the celebrated race stallion, died of paralysis at Cynthia, Ky. Rear Admiral G. J. Walker, of Washington, reached the age of 62 years and was placed on the retired list of the navy.

Scott Jackson, aged 27, and Alonzo Walling, aged 20, were hanged at Newport, Ky., for the murder on January 29, 1896, of Pearl Bryan, aged 22, who lived near Greencastle, Ind.

In the six-day female bicycle race in Chicago Lizzie Glaw was the winner, making 240 miles.

Two daughters, aged 13 and 16, of James H. Morrell, were instantly killed by a falling tree at Mountain Creek, Ala.

Flames in the Conigsky business block in Peoria, Ill., caused a loss of \$100,000.

The boiler of a Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway engine exploded in Chicago, killing Alexander Frank, engineer, and Edward B. Smith, fireman.

A fire that started in Cullen & Co.'s dry goods store in Ottumwa, Ia., spread to other buildings, causing a total loss of \$175,000.

A passenger train on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was wrecked near Oakland, Md., and Gen. J. S. Fullerton, of St. Louis, was killed and ten other persons were injured.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.
Ignacio Francisco in Cruz Garcia, who was said to be the oldest man in the United States, died in Los Angeles, Cal., aged 117 years.

Ex-President Cleveland arrived at his home in Princeton, N. J., from his duck hunting trip. Mrs. Mary Skiffington died at her home in Woonsocket, R. I., aged 102 years.

The Dutch steamship Utrecht, bound from Rotterdam for Java with 100 persons on board, was given up as lost.

Louis Day, Charles Scott and Esteban Vinero, all Americans, have been released from prisons in Cuba.

Cespedes, a native of Key West, Fla., was released from jail at Cabañas, Cuba, on condition that he leaves the island.

The Austrian gunboat Sebinico fired upon and sunk near Candia a Greek vessel loaded with provisions and munitions which were intended for the Greek forces in Crete.

The financial statement of India shows a deficit for the last year of 19,000,000 rupees because of famine and drought.

The admirals issued a proclamation to the Cretan commanding them to lay down their arms and promising them an autonomous government. Troops were on the way to Crete from Russia, France and Italy.

Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Austria-Hungary and Russia put on effect the blockade of the Cretan ports.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.
Opium in large quantities and, it is said, of good quality, has been found in Hart County, Ky.

The acreage of land in Georgia has increased from 290,000 to 260,000, as indicated by the tax returns.

Shoes that are locked on the foot by the heel of the shoe into the sole plate of the skate have just been patented.

George Peabody's donation of \$2,500, for London working men's houses, has increased to \$6,000,000 in the 24 years since his death.

W. L. Short, of Kansas City, Kan., candidate for mayor, was defeated at the polls by women because he jilted his wife.

The judges of the supreme court of Florida draw straws for the position of chief justice, the constitution of the state providing that that official shall be chosen by lot.

The first woman to graduate from a Presbyterian theological seminary is Emille G. Biggs, who was awarded second place in the graduating class at the Union seminary in New York.

Lorrin A. Thurston, formerly minister from Hawaii to this country, says the importation of Japanese into Hawaii is one of the gravest questions now confronting the Hawaiian government.

The influence of the bicycle is in evidence in California, where a systematic plan for good roads throughout the state is being pushed by the bureau of highways, which was established mainly by the influence of wheelmen.

Mexico evidently sees the evils which may accrue to the country through the destruction of the timber. A commission of five has just been appointed by President Diaz to report on the best means of preserving the timber throughout the republic.

The New York court of appeals has recently decided that a person who bets on the result of any contest and deposits the stakes in the hands of another has a legal right to recover from the stakeholder the amount of the wager, no matter how the contest may turn out.

New York's Christian league is turning its attention actively toward tearing away the worst slums in the city. It will try to bring together the property owners and the practical philanthropists who are willing to invest money in improved homes for the poor.

LATER.
SYLVESTER SCOTCH, the newspaper correspondent who was imprisoned for 31 days in Cuba, has arrived in New York from Havana.

Mrs. SARAH J. BROWN, who died at Bloomsburg, Pa., recently, gave all of her fortune of \$60,000 to Methodist charities, the Church Extension society being the largest beneficiary.

THEODORE F. SWAYZE, of New Jersey, has been appointed chief clerk of the treasury department, vice Logan Carlisle, resigned. Mr. Swayze was formerly chief clerk of the treasury department under President Arthur.

A SLIGHT earthquake shock was felt at Vandalia, Ill., on the night of the 22d. The vibration was from west to east. No damage was done.

The Greater New York charter was passed in the New York assembly on the 23d without amendment and now goes to the senate for concurrence.

The engine and four cars of a north-bound local passenger train on the Chicago & Texas railroad went down with the bridge across the Big Muddy river at Aldridge station, Ill., on the 23d and Engineer Joe Forrester and Fireman James Anderson were drowned.

A BILL has been introduced in the Pennsylvania senate prohibiting photographic reproductions of prize fights, and one in the house prohibiting prize fights and providing that if a man is killed in such a fight, the man striking the blow can be indicted for murder in the first degree.

WILLIAM C. MARNEY, a well-known attorney, has been nominated for mayor by the democratic city convention at Detroit, Mich. He runs against Capt. Stewart, the Pingree candidate.

BURGERS entered the house of George I. Amsdell, a wealthy brewer, at Albany, N. Y., on the night of the 22d and carried off jewelry and money worth about \$10,000. The family were at the theater and the servants had left the house.

In the senate on the 23d after a number of senators had denounced the civil service law, a resolution was adopted directing the committee on civil service to inquire and report whether the civil service law should be continued, amended or repealed. The following bills were passed: Directing the secretary of war to supply 1,000 tents to shelter the sufferers from the flood in the Mississippi river; to amend the act repealing the timber culture laws. The Torrey bankruptcy bill (modified) was reported and was made the unfinished business, not to be called up immediately, however. In the house the entire day was taken up in debate of the tariff bill. The senate joint resolution appropriating \$15,000 to enable the secretary of war to purchase tents for the homeless victims of the Mississippi river flood was agreed to.

OHIO NEWS.

Items of Interest from All Sections of the State.

Surveying for a New Railroad.
CANTON, March 23.—The first survey of the proposed Ashland & Wooster railway has been completed. The final survey is to be made this week. The new line crosses the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus road near Wooster, and it is said that it is a movement of Cal Brice to get the freight traffic of the big coal fields in the southern part of this county and Wayne county. The eastern terminus is at Beach City. There is a rumor that Brice has in mind a crosscut line that will give him a system in southern and eastern Ohio, and has his eyes on some of the short lines.

Arrested for Counterfeiting.
CLEVELAND, March 20.—Friday afternoon Secret Service Detective Manley and Deputy United States Marshal Kelsey went to No. 105 Oregon street and entered the house. There they found Cornelius F. Lyons. He was taken to the office of the United States marshal and charged with being a counterfeiter. On August 17, 1896, the United States authorities claim, Lyons, together with Frank Glassman and Charles Repp, passed from 15 to 20 counterfeit dollars in this city. Glassman and Repp were caught shortly after and convicted.

Two Victims of a Thunderbolt.
LIMA, March 23.—During a heavy rain storm Monday morning, William R. Jones and W. L. Mott, who were on their way to the Lake Erie & Western freight house, where they are employed, were struck by lightning. They had just passed over the Pine street bridge when a heavy flash came, knocking them down and rendering them unconscious. After a time Mott rallied somewhat, but is not out of danger. Jones cannot recover. Both are frightfully cut and bruised. Jones is a telegraph operator and Mott a clerk in the freight office.

Disastrous Wreck.
SPRINGFIELD, March 24.—Twenty-two cars of Big Four freight No. 71 are piled in a mass on the Ohio Southern tracks, which pass the Big Four near Buffalo Crossing. The wreck was caused by the breaking of the coupling between two of the cars Tuesday morning. The train came together again and the wreck followed. Four tramps have been found badly injured and four others are supposed to be buried in the wreck.

Excitement Follows an Oil Strike.
BOWLING GREEN, March 20.—There is great excitement here over a big oil gusher struck on the St. John farm, southwest of this city. It was generally supposed that big wells were a thing of the past, the rock pressure having been greatly reduced, but this well is flowing 2,000 barrels of oil per day. Three years ago a well was drilled not 100 feet away and was dry.

Lieut. Gov. Jones Injured in a Runaway.
YOUNGSTOWN, O., March 23.—Lieut. Gov. A. W. Jones, with his guest, John Hall, of Akron, was out driving a spirited pair of young horses Sunday when the team ran away near his residence, throwing both out on the paved street. Mr. Hall escaped injury. Gen. Jones was removed to his residence suffering severely from bruises received.

Fatally Injured.
RAVENNA, March 23.—Charles Royanski, an employee of the Williams iron works, was fatally injured Monday by the bursting of a grindstone. His skull was crushed in just over the eyes, and a portion of his scalp was carried away. His left arm was broken in several places. A number of other workmen standing nearby narrowly escaped.

Work on State Hospital Resumed.
MASSILLON, March 23.—Work was resumed on the Massillon state hospital yesterday and by the first of January there will be ready for occupancy one hospital building, two cottages, dining hall, kitchen and bakery, laundry, store house, power and boiler houses. It is thought that inmates can be accepted by about this time next spring.

Another Court-Martial Begins.
CLEVELAND, March 23.—The court-martial of Lieut. Col. Whitney, of the Fifth regiment, O. N. G., began here Monday. There are 14 charges against him, the most serious being an allegation that during the Brown Hoist strike last summer he misrepresented the cost of provisions bought for use of the soldiers.

Bushnell Offers Aid.
COLUMBUS, March 24.—Gov. Bushnell yesterday sent this telegram to Mayor Clapp, of Memphis: "Ohio recognizes the generosity of your people in caring for the sufferers by flood. If more tents are needed, will gladly send them to aid in your good work. Please advise me."

Killed by a Train.
ASHTABULA, March 24.—The Conant accommodation from Cleveland struck and killed an unknown man who was walking on the tracks in the Lake Shore yards Monday evening. Whether it was an accident or direct attempt at suicide will never be known.

Revenue Collector Appointed.
CINCINNATI, March 24.—President McKinley has nominated Bernard Bettman to be collector of internal revenue for the First district of Ohio.

Boy Killed by Lightning.
FREMONT, March 23.—Otto Thurn, aged 14, was struck by lightning Monday morning while driving a clod crusher in his father's field and was instantly killed. His brother Charles, who was with him at the time, escaped without injury. The fatal bolt left no mark on the boy's person.

Suicided.
COLUMBUS, O., March 22.—While in a frenzy from jealousy and drink Sunday morning, Edward Born, aged 50, drove his wife from the house with a revolver and then in the presence of his children sent a bullet through his head, dying instantly.

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A Cincinnati Joke.—"Why is Tugby like the Ohio river?" "Don't know. Why is he?" "Because he's always getting in on the ground floor."—Chicago Record.

MARCH AND APRIL
Are the Most Disagreeable Months of the Year in the North.

In the South, they are the pleasantest and most agreeable. The trees and shrubs put forth their buds and flowers; early vegetables and fruits are ready for eating, and in fact all nature seems to have awakened from its winter sleep. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company reaches the Garden Spot of the South, and will on the first and third Tuesdays of March and April sell round-trip tickets to all principal points in Tennessee, Alabama, and West Florida, at about half rates. Write for advertising matter and particulars of excursions to C. P. Atmore, General Passenger Agent, Louisville, Ky., or Jackson Smith, D. P. A., Cincinnati, O.

There is at least one encouraging sign: Lotteries are less popular than they ever were before.—Atchison Globe.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is often tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is in taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
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Homeeekers' Excursions at Half Rates

Via the Missouri Pacific Railway and Iron Mountain Route, to points in the West and Southwest. Tickets on sale Tuesdays, April 6th and 20th and May 4th and 18th. For descriptive and illustrated pamphlets of the different States, time and map folders, address H. C. Townsend, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

A little boy with long golden curls, and dressed in a sailor suit, is not near as pretty as his mamma imagines.

Specially Remember
That the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus R'y. is still selling round trip tickets between all stations on its line, good going and returning Sunday, at a rate of one fare for the round trip. Ask any agent for particulars, or write to C. F. Daly, General Passenger Agent, Cleveland, O.

A worthless man usually has few possessions, but you can usually depend that a wife is one of them.

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